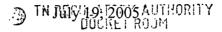


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Re Response to Request for PUC Directive and Motion to Consolidate Docket No. 05-00156 with Docket No. 05-00152

Dear Chairman Jones:

On May 26, United Telephone-Southeast, Inc., (Sprint) filed with the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (TRA) Sprint's Petition for Declaratory Ruling in this matter (Petition). In the Petition at page 1, Sprint stated that it was no longer obligated ". to provide DS1 switching at Total Element Long Run Incremental Cost (TELRIC) based Unbundled Network Element (UNE) rates and may price these elements at market based prices." In the Petition at page 5, Sprint stated that it "...may price DS1 switching at a market-based price."

Sprint wishes to clarify that it is only requesting a TRA declaration concerning its obligation to sell DS1 enterprise switching pursuit to Section 251 of the 1996 Telecom Act with its TELRIC based pricing requirements. Sprint is not requesting the TRA to determine which pricing standard would be appropriate for any offering of DS1 enterprise switching outside of its Section 251 obligations. Sprint regrets any confusion that may have been caused by its earlier submission.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding this filing, please contact Laura Sykora at 919-554-7323.

Sincerely yours,

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